GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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COMPLAINTS AGAINST AICTE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received complaints against the All Indian Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for irregular approvals granted to educational institutions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether any inquiry has been instituted by the Government to probe such irregularities;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any report has been received by the Government in this regard;

(f) if so, the details of the findings; and

(g) if not, the time by which the inquiry is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b): The Government has been receiving complaints against the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for irregular approval granted to educational institutions in the country.These relate mainly to delay in grant of approval,lack of uniformity in applying norms and standards in grant of approval,approval without meeting minimum norms and standards. Representations of the above kind are sent to AICTE for appropriate action.

(c) to (g): This Ministry has recently conducted an inquiry on a complaint made by the Chairman of the Echelon Educational & Welfare Society,Faridabad.Based on the outcome of the investigation, the case has been referred to Central Vigilance Commission(CVC) on 10.2.2009 for seeking their first stage advice against two senior officials of AICTE.A direct inquiry is presently underway in CVC in three other cases.In yet another complaint,CVC has ordered a CBI investigation. The investigations are in the preliminary stages and as such time limit cannot be specified.